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 LAIDLAW TRANSIT SERVICES, INC.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JAMES CROUCH,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DEFENDANT TRANSIT SERVICES, INC., and  
 DOES 1 through 30, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: C 07-01957 TEH/BZ

[Judge: Hon. Thelton E. Henderson]

**DEFENDANT'S APPLICATION TO APPEAR  
 TELEPHONICALLY AT INITIAL CASE  
 MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE AND  
~~[PROPOSED]~~ ORDER THEREON**

Date: July 23, 2007  
 Time: 1:30 p.m.  
 Dept.: 12

An Initial Case Management Conference is scheduled in this matter for July 23, 2007 at 1:30 p.m., before the Honorable Judge Thelton E. Henderson. Defendant LAIDLAW TRANSIT SERVICES, INC. ("Defendant") submits this application to appear telephonically at the hearing due to the expense and time involved in traveling from Los Angeles to San Francisco to appear in person.

Defendant gave notice to Plaintiff's counsel, Candice Clipner, on July 16, 2007 of its intent to submit this application. Plaintiff's counsel stated she had no objection to this request.

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Thus, Defendant respectfully requests that the Court grant this application to appear telephonically at the July 23, 2007 Initial Case Management Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

DATED: July 16, 2007

JACKSON LEWIS LLP

By: \_\_\_\_\_

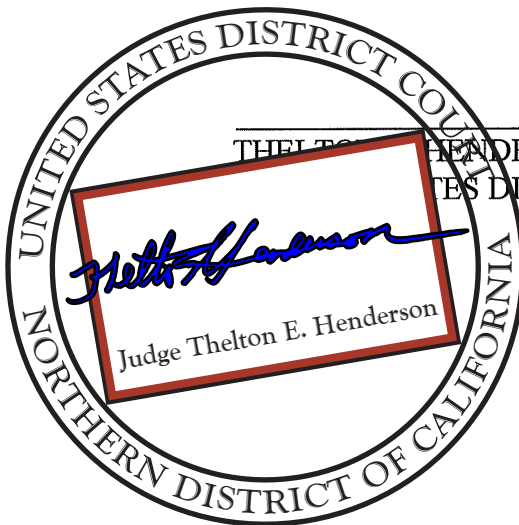
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**ORDER**

Defendant's Application to Appear Telephonically at the Initial Case Management Conference on July 23, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. is hereby GRANTED.

Dated: 7/18, 2007



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THELTON E. HENDERSON  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE